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MEXICO PASS FISHERIES ATTACHE

E. O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EFIS, BR

SUBJECT: US SHRIMP BOAT SIGHTED OUTSIDE OF AGREEMENT AREA

1. ON MAY 13, DIRECTOR OF FOREIGN MINISTRY'S BASIC PRODUCTS
DIVISION, SERGIO BATH, GAVE EMBASSY OFFICER FOLLOWING AIDE
MEMOIRE:

BEGIN TEXT:

AT 13:30 ON MAY 7, 1975, THE NAVY COASTAL PATROL SERVICE
DETECTED A US FLAG FISHING BOAT, CAYENNE SARITA, AT A POSITION
OF 1 DEGREE 0 MINUTES LATITUDE SOUTH AND 44 DEGREES 30 MINUTES
LONGITUDE WEST, PROCEEDING AWAY FROM THE AREA PRESCRIBED BY
THE SHRIMP FISHING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENTS OF BRAZIL
AND THE UNITED STATES. THE CORVETTE, SOLIMOE, TOGETHER WITH
AIR PATROL, INITIATED INTERCEPTION OPERATIONS, THE FISHING
BOAT HAVING TAKEN EVASIVE MANEUVERS.

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END TEXT

2. BATH SAID THAT SINCE BOAT HAD NOT BEEN APPREHENDED AND APPARENTLY HAD DEPARTED THE REGION WHERE SIGHTED, THERE WAS NO INCIDENT REQUIRING FURTHER ACTION AND THAT PURPOSE OF AIDE MEMOIRE WAS TO NOTIFY USG OF PRESENCE OF US BOAT IN BRAZILIAN-CLAIMED WATERS OUTSIDE AGREEMENT AREA. BATH INTIMATED THAT WHEN NAVY OBSERVED BOAT WITHDRAWING FROM THE AREA, IT HAD CHOSEN NOT TO APPREHEND.

3. EMBASSY CALLS DEPARTMENT'S ATTENTION TO SUGGESTIONS MADE PARA 5 BRASILIA 2971 REGARDING EXAMINING POSSIBILITY OF REOPENING SHRIMP AGREEMENT NEGOTIATIONS FOR NEW DEFINITION OF AREA COVERED UNDER AGREEMENT. ALTHOUGH EMBASSY HAS HAD NO FIRM INDICATIONS OF WHAT GOB ATTITUDE WOULD BE TOWARD PROPOSAL TO REDEFINE AGREEMENT AREA, THERE HAVE BEEN SOME SIGNS THAT POSSIBILITY MAY HAVE AT LEAST BEEN RAISED IN MINISTRY. DURING CONVERSATION WITH BATH, EMBASSY OFFICER SAID IT MIGHT BE ADVISABLE TO ACCELERATE THE RESEARCH INTO SHRIMP FISHERY PROVIDED FOR IN AGREEMENT, TO WHICH BATH RESPONDED "YOU MEAN TO REDEFINE THE AREA COVERED BY AGREEMENT" BUT HE DID NOT COMMENT FURTHER. ANOTHER FONFOFF OFFICIAL, NOT DIRECTLY CONNECTED WITH SHRIMP AGREEMENT MATTERS, RECENTLY MADE PERSONAL COMMENT TO DCM THAT MODIFICATION OF AGREEMENT AREA MIGHT BE DESIRABLE.
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